

American Government & Politics: A Christian Worldview – Short Films:
“Biden Administration, Facebook, and COVID,” “Hillary Clinton, Tim Walz, John Kerry,
and ‘Misinformation’,” and “Pam Bondi & ‘Hate Speech’” (12–15 Minutes)
(TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS/KEY)

Goal

In these short films (3:49, 2:50, and 0:58), students view and analyze examples of U.S. government officials and others trying to use the power of government to violate the First Amendment.

Instructions

1. Play “Biden Administration, Facebook, and COVID” for students; when finished, ask for their thoughts. Film link: <https://youtu.be/KMfupU-UhXc>
2. Play “Hillary Clinton, Tim Walz, John Kerry, and ‘Misinformation’” for students; when finished, ask for their thoughts. Film link: <https://youtu.be/purUSEI16z4>
3. Play “Pam Bondi & ‘Hate Speech’” for students; when finished, ask for their thoughts. Film link: https://youtu.be/WDCwv_hKQfg

Debrief

Make sure to review with students (and any other First Amendment-topics you think are appropriate):

- How government officials often call opinions that (a) contradict theirs or (b) threaten their increased powers over the people “misinformation”
- How John Kerry was upset (!) when talking about the First Amendment’s role as stopping government officials from censoring opinions they don’t like
- What Benjamin Franklin would say to these government officials about publishing “lies”